



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Contract Change Order and Acceptance of Improvements Under Central City Revitalization Downtown Underground Utilities Improvements Contract

MEETING DATE: April 16, 1997

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council accept the improvements under the "Central City Revitalization Downtown Underground Utilities Improvements" contract, direct the City Engineer to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder's office, and appropriate funds in accordance with the recommendation shown below.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: This project was awarded to Crutchfield Construction Company, of Stockton, on October 16, 1996 in the amount of \$351,406.00. The contract has been completed in substantial conformance with the plans and specifications approved by the City Council.

One of the requirement of the Contract Change Order policy adopted by Resolution 85-72 is that we inform the City Council of all change orders where the total change order exceeds \$25,000.00. Contract Change Order No. 3 for this project is in the amount of \$62,281.27, which is 17.7% of the contract.

The work includes the removal of an abandoned fuel tank, an additional quantity of digouts on the project, and the installation of cleanouts on the existing services. This is the first time we have used a pipe-bursting operation for the installation of a new sewer main. Much of this change order cost is for digouts to expose potential conflicts with existing utilities. Staff feels the pipe-bursting operation will be useful to the City on future projects and we now know this method will be more cost effective if utility conflicts are resolved before the start of construction.

The contract completion date was March 13, 1997 and the actual completion date was March 6, 1997. The final contract price was \$413,872.97. The difference between the contract amount and the final contract price is mainly due to Contract Change Order No. 3 which included revisions to the contract as stated above.

FUNDING:	Requested Appropriation:	Wastewater Fund	\$44,000.00
	Previous Appropriation:		\$370,000.00
	Project Total:		\$414,000.00
	Funding Available:		

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